



HEALTH ADVISORY #184

CDC Expands Eligibility for COVID-19 Booster to All Adults

TO: West Virginia Healthcare Providers, Hospitals and Other Healthcare Facilities

FROM: Ayne Amjad, MD, MPH, Commissioner and State Health Officer
West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, Bureau for Public Health

DATE: November 22, 2021

LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS: Please distribute to community health providers, hospital-based physicians, infection control preventionists, laboratory directors and other applicable partners.

OTHER RECIPIENTS: Please distribute to association members, staff, etc.

On November 19, 2021, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) endorsed the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommendation to expand the booster dose eligibility of the **Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna** COVID-19 vaccines to anyone 18 years of age or older at **6 months** or more after their initial series. For individuals who received the **Johnson & Johnson/Janssen** COVID-19 vaccine, the booster dose eligibility remains unchanged and is recommended for those who are 18 and older who were vaccinated at least **2 months** ago.

All emergency use authorizations have been updated and can be found at:

Pfizer/BioNTech Healthcare Providers: <https://www.fda.gov/media/153713/download>

Pfizer/BioNTech Recipients/Caregivers: <https://www.fda.gov/media/153716/download>

Moderna Healthcare Providers: <https://www.fda.gov/media/144637/download>

Moderna Recipients/Caregivers: <https://www.fda.gov/media/144638/download>

Johnson & Johnson/Janssen Healthcare Providers: <https://www.fda.gov/media/146304/download>

Johnson & Johnson/Janssen Recipients/Caregivers: <https://www.fda.gov/media/146305/download>

For information on the interim clinical considerations see: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/downloads/summary-interim-clinical-considerations-poster.pdf>.

For information on COVID-19 vaccine administration errors and deviations see: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/downloads/covid19-vaccine-errors-deviations.pdf>.

For information on vaccine adverse event reporting in West Virginia visit: <https://dhhr.wv.gov/COVID-19/Documents/COVID-19-Reporting-Adverse-Vaccine-Reactions.pdf>.

For questions about this advisory, contact the Office of Epidemiology and Prevention Services (OEPS) at 1-800-423-1271, ext. 1; 304-558-5358, ext. 2; or the 24/7 answering service at 304-342-5151.